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## Prince William Sound Area Sablefish Fishery Season Extended through September 30 Emergency Order # 2-GF-E-09-22

The Prince William Sound Area (PWS) sablefish season opened April 15 with a guideline harvest level (GHL) of 264,000 lb; by regulation the season is open through August 31. Because of continued issues related to COVID-19, the PWS sablefish season will be extended through September 30, 2022. All other fishery regulations still apply.

Permit holders are reminded that the next PWS Finfish Board of Fisheries meeting will be held in late 2024 with proposals due April 2024; proposals to make regulatory changes to the PWS commercial sablefish fishery can be submitted at that time. The Board of Fisheries website has more information about the process: https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.main.

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